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TO AMEMBASSY COTONOU

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TAGS: BEXP, BTRA, DM US

SUBJECT: IHC PROJECT FOR COTONOU

1. IHC REPRESENTATIVE, FRANK ROSS, TOLD DESK OFFICER JANUARY 13 THAT INTERCONTINENTAL CURRENTLY CONTINUING QUEST FOR FINANCING OF COTONOU HOTEL PROJECT. FRENCH CCCE, WHICH HAD BEEN EXPECTED TO APPROVE 2.5 MILLION DOLLARS FOR PROJECT, IS NOW EVIDENTLY HAVING SERIOUS SECOND THOUGHTS. NEGATIVE CCCE REACTION APPARENTLY TIED TO MRGD'S DECEMBER NATIONALIZATIONS AND EVIDENT STEPPED-UP HOSTILITY TO FRENCH BUSINESS INTERESTS. IHC IS MAKING CONCERTED EFFORT TO PUT TOGETHER FINANCIAL PACKAGE, BUT ROSS ADMITS JOB IS NOW TOUGHER.

2. ROSS AND IHC REPRESENTATIVE IN KINSHASA, JOE GATT, ARE PLANNING VISIT TO COTONOU LATE JANUARY OR EARLY FEBRUARY. ROSS PROMISED DETAILS LATER, WHICH WILL BE FORWARDED TO EMBASSY WHEN RECEIVED. INGERSOLL

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